



RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 3679

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of: ) Art Unit: 3679  
Yasunori YOKOTA ) Examiner: N. AMIRI  
Appln. No.: 10/782,888 ) Washington, D.C.  
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**AMENDMENT**

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
Customer Service Window  
Randolph Building, Mail Stop AF  
401 Dulany Street  
Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Action dated March 9, 2006,  
kindly amend the above-identified Application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of  
this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.